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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:) Attorney's Docket No. 334065-0000 3
Edward L. STAHL) Examiner: Unassigned
Application No.: 10/582,165) Group Art Unit: 3727
Filed: June 8, 2006) Confirmation No.: 1834
For: THREE LEVEL NESTABLE STACKING CONTAINERS) Customer No.: 27160
STACKING CONTAINENS) Date: August 30, 2007

<u>CLAIM FOR SMALL ENTITY STATUS AND</u> REQUEST FOR REFUND TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.26, Applicant respectfully requests a refund of \$650.00. A \$2,100 fee was erroneously charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1710 on June 14, 2006 in regard to the filing of the above-identified U.S. national stage application (copy of Deposit Account Statement is attached). Please credit Deposit Account No. 50-1710 with the \$650.00 refund.

Applicant states that at the time of filing the above-identified application, the Applicant qualified as a small business concern as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.27(a)(2), and retains small entity status to date. Accordingly, it is hereby requested that the status of this application be changed to reflect a small business under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27(a)(2).

A Fee Transmittal was filed concurrently with the filing of the above-identified national stage application authorizing payment of the total fees due of \$2,800.00 (copy attached); however, the PTO charged the deposit account \$2,100.00 (Deposit Account Statement attached). Small entity status is claimed herewith and a breakdown of the appropriate fees to be charged to the deposit account are provided below:

Basic Filing Fee	\$150.00
Exam Fee	100.00
Search Fee	50.00
Excess Sheets (80/50)	250.00
Excess Independent Claim Fees	900.00
TOTAL	\$1,450.00
(\$2,100 - \$1,450 = \$650)	

For the convenience of the USPTO and to expedite the refund process, Applicant submits a copy of the Fee Transmittal, and copy of the USPTO Deposit Account Statement.

Should there be any questions, Applicant's undersigned attorney can be reached by telephone at (202) 625-3500. All correspondence should continue to be directed to the address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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	TIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 05/043932 December 6, 2005	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED December 6, 2004		
	INVENTION VEL NESTABLE STACKING CONTAINERS			
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Edward L. Applican	t herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/E	O/US) the following items and other information:		
	This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 37			
	This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission			
	This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 3 (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.			
4. X	The US has been elected (Article 31).			
5. X	A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))			
	a. is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the Internatio	nal Bureau).		
	b. has been communicated by the International Bureau.			
***************************************	c. x is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receive	ving Office (RO/US).		
6.	An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.	C. 371(c)(2)).		
	a. Lis attached hereto.			
-	b. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).			
7.	Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19	(35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))		
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	c. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendr	ments has NOT expired.		
	d. K have not been made and will not be made.			
8	An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Ar	ticle 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).		
9.	An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).			
10.	An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary E Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).	Examination Report under PCT		
Items	11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:			
11.	An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.			
12.	An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with	ith 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.		
13.	A preliminary amendment.			
14. X	An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.			
15. 🔲	A substitute specification.			
16.	A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.			
17.	A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 1	13 <i>ter.</i> 2 and 37 CFR 1.821- 1.825.		
18.	A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)	(4).		
19.	A second copy of the English language translation of the international application	under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).		
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This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.414 and 1.491-1.492. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public, which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.11 and 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 15 minutes to complete, including gathering information, preparing, and submitting the completed form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Mail Stop PCT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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